IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Bush et al.

Appl. No. To be Assigned (Divisional of Allowed U.S. Patent Appl. No.

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Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In advance of substantive examination in the above identified matter, please amend the specification as follows. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37
- C.F.R. § 1.111 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying

this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Amendments

In the Specification:

Please insert the following statement at page 1 after the title:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/038,154, filed March 11, 1998.--

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-9, 16-24, 31-39 and 46-54 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Remarks

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 10-15, 25-30, 40-45 and 55-57 are pending in the application. Claims 1-9, 16-24, 31-39 and 46-54 are sought to be canceled. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

It is respectfully believed that the present application is in condition for examination. Early notice to this effect is requested. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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A statement on page 1, after the title, has been added.

Claims 1-9, 16-24, 31-39 and 46-54 have been canceled.

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